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RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND TRADE SECTION

**Georges Bank Sea Scallop Exemption Fishery**

(A preliminary monitoring report)  
data last updated on **July 26, 1999**

|                             | <b>Directed Scallop Fishery<br/>(meat weight)</b> | <b>Yellowtail Flounder Bycatch<br/>(live weight)</b> |
|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Total Allowable Catch (TAC) | 9,384,812 lbs.<br>(4,257 mt)*                     | 853,165 lbs.<br>(387 mt)*                            |
| Total Catch to date         | 2,334,771 lbs.                                    | 277,730 lbs.   |
| % of TAC                    | 25%   | 33%  |

\* 2,204.56 lbs. equal 1 metric ton (mt)

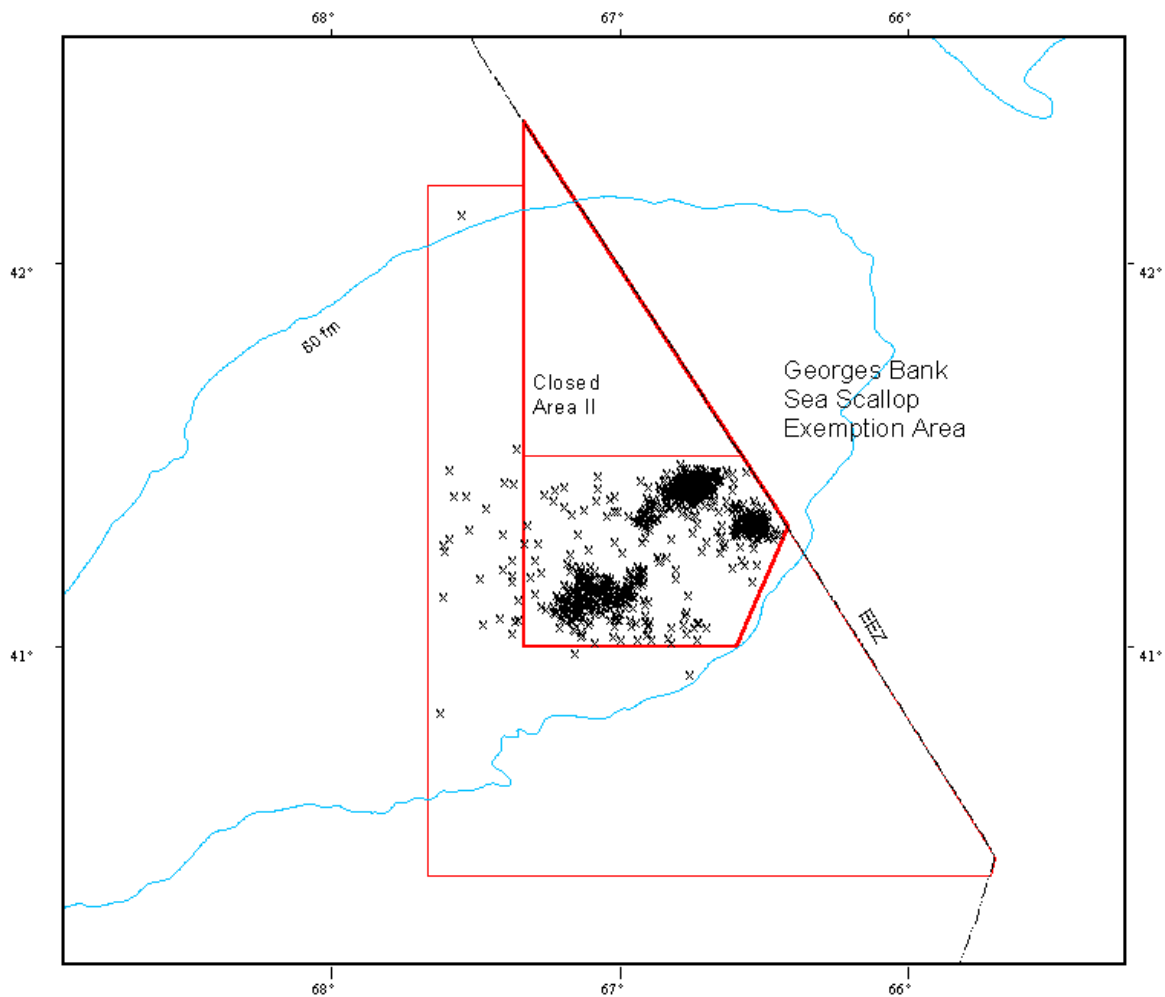
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| Number of Vessels taking only 1 trip   | 37  |
| Number of Vessels taking 2 trips       | 42  |
| Number of Vessels taking 3 trips       | 45  |
| Total Number of Participating Vessels: | 124 |
| Number of Scallop Trips:               | 256 |
| Percentage of Observed Trips           | 23% |

The reports will be updated every Tuesday and Friday. However, more frequent updates are scheduled when the accumulated catch approaches the TAC. Please call the Sustainable Fisheries Division at 978-281-9278 regarding management issues, or contact John Witzig at 978-281-9232 for statistical data.

Included are figures:

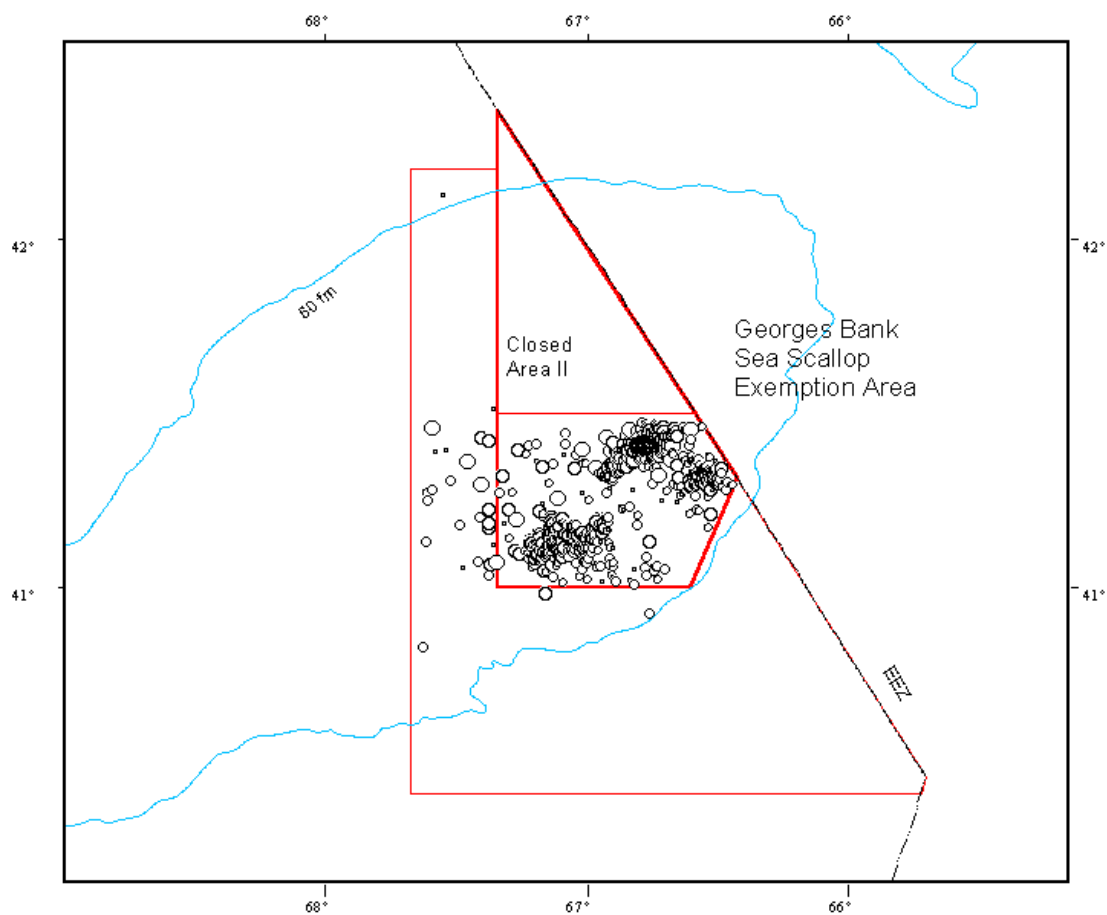
1. Sea scallop vessel-days
2. Daily sea scallop catch
3. Daily observed yellowtail flounder catch

Figure 1. Scallop vessel-days  
within the Georges Bank Sea Scallop Exemption Area  
(June 15 - July 26, 1999)



Note: Symbols (x) indicate vessel location at time of daily report.

Figure 2. Daily Scallop catch  
from the Georges Bank Sea Scallop Exemption Area  
(June 15 - July 26, 1999)

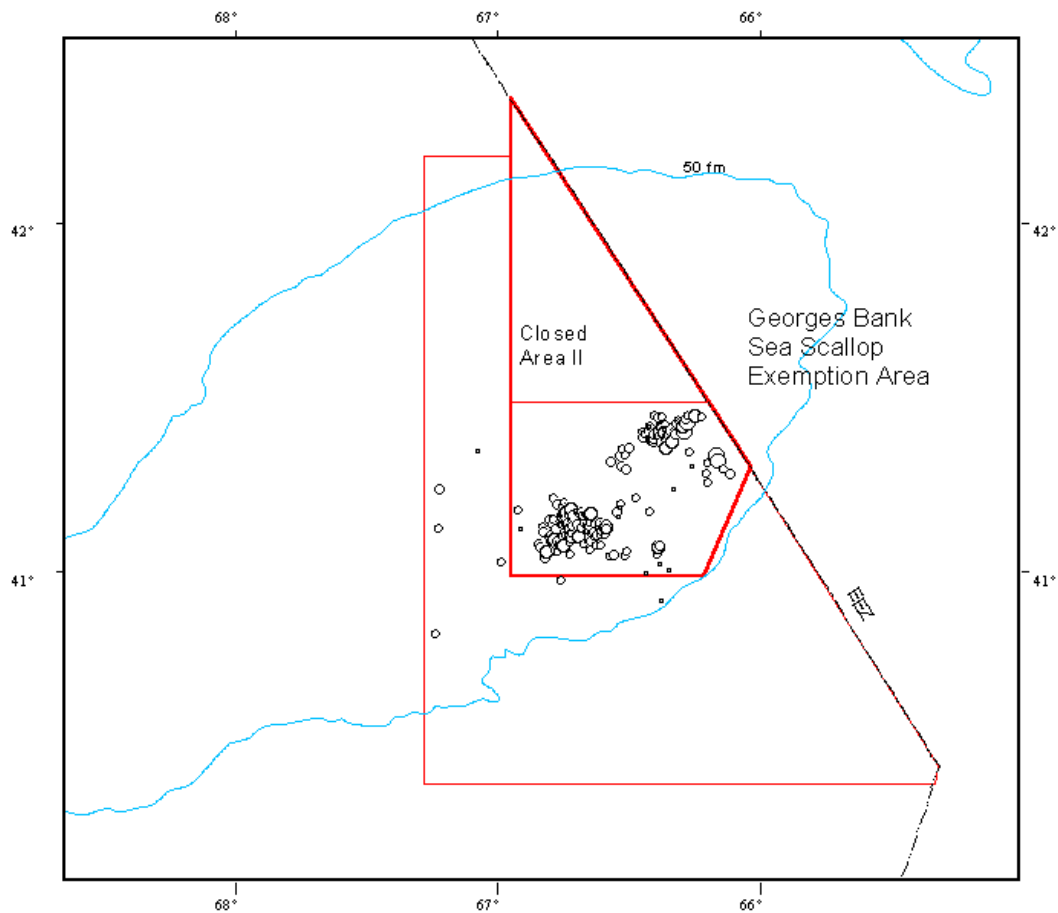


Note: Symbols (o) indicate vessel location at time of daily report.

Quantity of Scallops (lbs. meats)

- 1 - 1320
- 1321 - 2156
- 2157 - 2860
- 2861 - 3670
- 3671 - 5670

Figure 3. Daily observed yellowtail flounder bycatch from the Georges Bank Sea Scallop Exemption Area (June 15 - July 26, 1999)



Note: Symbols (o) indicate vessel location at time of daily report.

Observed Yellowtail Flounder Catch (lbs)

- 1 - 70
- 71 - 215
- 216 - 398
- 399 - 700
- 701 - 1766